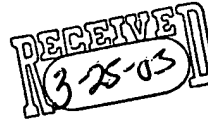


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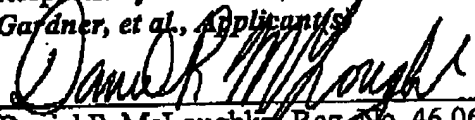
PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.102(d)

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents to make the above-captioned U.S. patent application special on the grounds that at least some of the claims of the application are actually infringed by a product on the market. This Petition is accompanied by a Declaration by Applicants' attorney of record, Daniel P. McLoughlin, as required by MPEP §708.02(II), setting forth the grounds for the Petition in more detail.

Granting of this petition and expedited examination of the present application is hereby requested. If it is believed for any reason that this petition cannot be granted, or if any questions arise, the office is requested to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

The fee due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h) is enclosed. If the fee is insufficient, the balance may be charged to the account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 23/2825. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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